

## Honorable Richard A. Birch

### Judgeship

2011 - present

#### **Judge of the District Court, 11<sup>th</sup> Judicial District**

*(Arthur, Chase, Dawson, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Hayes, Hitchcock, Hooker, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Perkins, Red Willow, & Thomas counties)*

### Prior Judicial Experience

#### **Administrative Hearing Officer**

Lincoln County, NE, 2000 – 2011, employment hearings  
Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired,  
2000 – 2011

Nebraska Department of Education,  
1991 – 2011, enrollment option  
1982 – 2011, special education  
1989 – 1991, food and nutrition

### Experience

1983 - 2011

**Nielsen & Birch Law Offices**, partner

North Platte, NE

1982 – 2011

**Nebraska Department of Education**,  
Administrative Hearing Officer

North Platte, NE

1979 – 1982

**Crosby & Nielsen, Associate**

North Platte, NE

1976 – 1978

**Lancaster County District Court**, Law Clerk

Lincoln, NE

1975

**Nebraska Unicameral**, Research Assistant

Lincoln, NE

<b>Education</b>	<b>University of Nebraska College of Law, 1978</b> Juris Doctorate With Distinction
	<b>Nebraska Wesleyan University, 1975</b> Bachelor of Arts – Political Science, major Humanities, minor

<b>Judicial/Law Related Activities</b>	<b>Professional Affiliations</b> United States District Court for the District of Nebraska Nebraska State Bar Association
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<b>Honors and Awards</b>	<b>Order of the Coiff</b> <b>Associate Editor</b> , University of Nebraska Law Review Executive Board <b>Award for Distinguished Achievement in the Art and Science of Advocacy</b> , 1977 – 1978, International Academy of Trial Lawyers
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<b>Teaching &amp; Publishing</b>	<b>Adjunct Professor</b> , 1983 – 2005, Mid-Plains Community College <b>Adjunct Professor</b> , 1996 – 2004, Chadron State College <b>Adjunct Professor</b> , 1983 – 1995, University of Nebraska-Kearney
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